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U.S. Economy Added 223,000 Jobs in May, 2018

ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT ¹

March, 2018	103,000
April, 2018	164,000
May, 2018	223,000

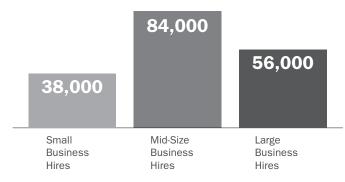
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ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY ¹

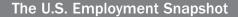
Industry	People Employed April, 2018	People Employed May, 2018	Gain or Loss
Mining, logging	729,000	733,000	4,000
Construction	7,185,000	7,210,000	25,000
Manufacturing	12,655,000	12,673,000	18,000
Wholesale	5,950,600	5,954,800	4,200
Retail	15,939,200	15,970,300	31,100
Transportation	5,290,600	5,309,300	18,700
Utilities	555,500	554,400	-1,100
Information, media	2,769,000	2,775,000	6,000
Finance, real estate	8,551,000	8,559,000	8,000
Professional	20,860,000	20,891,000	31,000
Health, education	23,524,000	23,563,000	39,000
Leisure, hospitality	16,260,000	16,281,000	21,000
Services, miscellaneous	5,849,000	5,862,000	13,000
Government	22,321,000	22,326,000	5,000

MAY 2018, HIRES BY BUSINESS SIZE ²

178,000 PRIVATE-SECTOR HIRES (ADP PAYROLL SURVEY)



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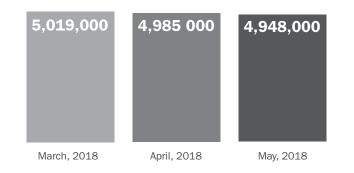
155,474,000 People Were Employed in May, 2018

March, 2018	155,178,000
April, 2018	155,181,000
May, 2018	155,474,000

ONE-YEAR CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION ¹

Occupation	People Employed May, 2017	People Employed May, 2018	Gain or Loss
Management	25,319,000	25,784,000	465,000
Professional	35,855,000	36,576,000	721,000
Service	27,001,000	27,710,000	709,000
Sales	15,510,000	15,769,000	259,000
Office, administrative	17,506,000	17,396,000	-110,000
Farming, fishing, forestry	1,245,000	1,056,000	-189,000
Construction, extraction	8,235,000	8,218,000	-17,000
Installation, maintenance, repair	4,921,000	5,025,000	104,000
Production	8,670,000	8,633,000	-37,000
Transportation, material moving	9,144,000	9,842,000	698,000

PEOPLE WORKING PART TIME FOR ECONOMIC REASONS ¹



ONE-YEAR CHANGE IN HOURS AND WAGES ¹

		May 2017	May, 2018
	Average workweek	34.4	34.5
	Average overtime in manufacturing	3.3 hours	3.5 hours
B-2	Average hourly earnings	\$26.21	\$26.92
B-3	Average weekly earnings	\$901.62	\$928.74



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6,065,000 People Were Unemployed in May, 2018

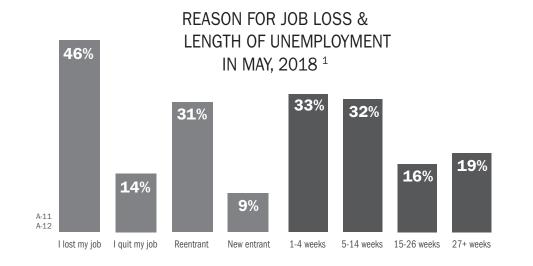
March, 2018	6,585,000
April, 2018	6,346,000
A May, 2018	6,065,000

MAY 2018, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ¹

3.8%	3.5%	3.3%	12.8%	3.5%	5.9%	2.1%	4.9%	3.9%	2.0%	4.2%
Total U.S.	Men 20+ years	Women 20+ years	Teenagers 16-19 years	White	Black	Asian	Hispanic	High School Diploma	Bachelor's Degree	Gulf II Veterans
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UNEMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION ¹

	People Unemployed May, 2018	Unemployment Rate
Management	448,000	1.7
Professional	635,000	1.7
Service	1,241,000	4.3
Sales	695,000	4.2
Office, administrative	602,000	3.3
Farming, fishing, forestry	92,000	8.0
Construction, extraction	471,000	5.4
Installation, maintenance, repair	122,000	2.4
Production	396,000	4.4
Transportation, material moving	502,000	4.9



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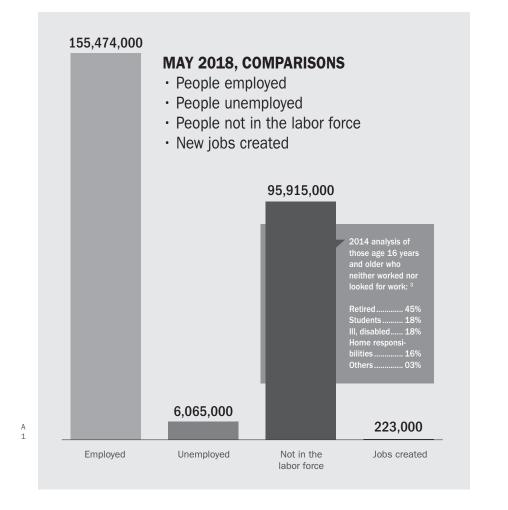
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95,915,000 People Were Not in the Labor Force in May, 2018

March, 2018	95,335,000
April, 2018	95,745,000
May, 2018	95,915,000



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